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DATE: 14 DECEMBER 1974

SUBJECT: VIETNAM MILITARY SITUATION

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HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES IN THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES OF SOUTH VIETNAM. THE MAJOR ACTION APPEARS TO BE CONCENTRATED IN TAY NINH PROVINCE WHERE SOUTH VIETNAMESE UNITS ARE TAKING HEAVY CASUALTIES AND ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY REINFORCING LOCAL UNITS UNDER ATTACK AT TWO LOCATIONS ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL. GENERAL NAM, MILITARY REGION 3 COMMANDER, REPORTEDLY IS RELUCTANT TO COMMIT HIS MAIN FORCE UNITS TO BACK UP THE TERRITORIALS.

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HAS ALREADY ENTERED THE FIGHT.

IN THE DELTA, THE ACTION HAS QUIETED SOMEWHAT IN KIEN TUONG PROVINCE AFTER SIX DAYS OF HEAVY FIGHTING, BUT RENEWED ASSAULTS ARE EXPECTED TO BEGIN THIS WEEKEND. UNITS FROM THE NORTH VIETNAMESE 5TH DIVISION INFILTRATING THE AREA NOW HAVE ALMOST COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE NORTHERNMOST DISTRICT AND APPEAR TO BE TRYING TO REESTABLISH CONTROL OVER A COMMUNIST BASE AREA ON THE BORDER WITH DINH TUONG PROVINCE. SOUTH VIETNAMESE COMMANDERS REMAIN CONFIDENT THAT THEY CAN CONTAIN THE 5TH DIVISION'S ASSAULTS AND KEEP IT FROM EITHER GETTING INTO POSITION TO ATTACK OTHER AREAS IN THE DELTA OR MOVING CLOSER TO SAIGON. 25X1

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MILITARY ACTIVITY ELSEWHERE IN THE COUNTRY IS LIGHT,

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HEAVY RAINS

IN MR-1 HAVE KEPT THE PACE OF THE ACTION LIGHT IN THE COUNTRY'S NORTHERN COMMAND.

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